

Workshop Objectives

1. Understand the provision of transition services as outlined in IDEA (2004)
2. Describe the process of transition planning for secondary student with moderate to severe disabilities
3. Understand the stages of employment preparation for students with moderate to severe disabilities in high school and post-high settings
4. Understand how to use strength-based observations and assessment to determine a student's employment needs including:
 - a. Employment profiles
 - b. Situational assessments
5. Understand how to effectively implement community-based job training and follow-along
6. Understand how to effectively conduct a job-site analysis
7. Understand how to implement a community-based instructional program that includes
 - a. Task analysis
 - b. Appropriate response prompting and fading
 - c. Age appropriate reinforcement and error correction
8. Understand the roles and responsibilities of paraprofessional including
 - a. Attitudes and values
 - b. Communication
 - c. Ethics

Lodging

A block of rooms has been reserved for each workshop.

Billings:

Crowne Plaza

27 North 27th Street

Billings, MT

Hotel reservations: 1-877-227-6963

Hotel Front Desk: (406) 252-7400

Room Block until December 24th : \$88 per room (corporate rate) under block: Para-Academy Workshop

Hotel amenities: Health and fitness center, business services, high speed internet access and DSL.

Missoula:

Wingate Inn

Off I-90 Exit 99 - Airway Blvd

5252 Airway Dr

Missoula, MT

Hotel Reservations: 1-866-832-8000

Room Block: \$87 per room (state rate) under block: CSPD

Hotel amenities: Continental breakfast, high speed wireless and DSL, full fitness center, access to waterpark.

Tim Riesen

Presents:

Para Academy: Secondary Transition

January 11 & 12, 2011

*MSUB, College of Ed. Bldg.
Room 122
Billings, MT*

February 10 & 11, 2011

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Development (CSPD).*

Overview

Over the years, the roles and responsibilities of paraeducators have become more complex and challenging. *These expanding and complex roles are most evident in secondary transition settings where paraeducators assist the certified teacher with a number of instructional and employment related activities* such as: implementing school and community-based instruction; implementing employment sampling and job trainings programs; and monitoring and collecting instructional data. This transition academy is designed to provide participants with the tools to effectively work as a member of a team in a transition setting.

Credits

Twelve OPI Renewal Units available.

Intended Audience

This workshop is designed for paraeducators, high-school special education teachers, and directors of special education.

About the Presenter

Tim Riesen is the director of the Utah Supported Employment Project at the University of Utah's Department of Special Education. The project is designed to provide training and technical assistance to state, education, and non-profit agencies involved in providing community employment services to people with disabilities. Tim completed his education at the University of Utah where he specialized in transition, inclusive education, and community-based service delivery for individuals with moderate to severe disabilities. Subsequently, he has been involved in improving employment outcomes and improving access to inclusive education and employment services for people with disabilities. Tim has also worked as a secondary special educator and as a specialist in residential programs for individuals with autism and severe disabilities.

Workshop Schedule

Both workshops will begin at 9:00 AM and end at 4:00 PM with registration from 8:30-9:00 AM.

Registration Fee

\$40.00 for individual registration, \$25 per person for teams of two or more (non-refundable) payable to:

*Montana Center on Disabilities (Billings)

*WM-CSPD/MCPS (Missoula)

Online Registration

Billings:

www.msubillings.edu/cspd/events.htm

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